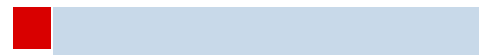




Utah National Guard Annual Report 2010





Gary R. Herbert
Governor of Utah,
Commander in Chief

Governor of Utah

The governor of Utah is the commander in chief of the Utah National Guard and can use its full resources for domestic emergencies or as otherwise required by state law.





Major General Brian L. Tarbet
The Adjutant General
Utah National Guard

■ **VISION** - The Guard is America's Army. We are community based but with capabilities that stretch worldwide. The 373-year tradition that we enjoy as Guard members is, in every sense, as relevant today as during colonial times.

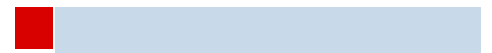
■ **MISSION** - The Utah National Guard has a unique dual mission that encompasses support to our Nation and to the State of Utah as follows:

■ **FEDERAL MISSION** - Maintain properly trained and equipped units available for prompt mobilization for war, national emergency or as otherwise needed.

■ **STATE MISSION** - Provide trained and disciplined forces for domestic emergencies or as otherwise required by state law.

■ **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES** - It is our goal to have the finest National Guard units in the Nation in the Utah National Guard. Each Utah Guard member has the goal to be the best officer, noncommissioned officer, Soldier or Airman possible. We will continue to build on the tradition that when units of the Utah National Guard arrive, the "First Team" is taking the field.

The Adjutant General



The adjutant general, selected by the governor, oversees the day-to-day operations of the Utah National Guard and serves as a key member of the governor's cabinet and staff.



We were thankful to bring every member of the following units home in 2010: Detachment 50, Operational Support Airlift, deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of operations; the 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion, from Afghanistan; the 2-285th Aviation, from Iraq; the 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team, from Kosovo; the 151st Air Refueling Wing, from Turkey; and the 151st Security Forces Squadron, from Afghanistan.

Now that these units are home, the real work begins: assessing their physical, emotional, and mental health, helping families reunite after a year of separation, ensuring that Guardmembers are able to return to their civilian employment, and making them aware of the many benefits to which they are entitled following their honorable service to the Nation.

When units come home, others leave to begin their combat service. Currently deployed, we have the 141st Military Intelligence Battalion and elements of the 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne) in Iraq, the 118th Sapper Company and 144th Area Support Medical Company in Afghanistan, and Airmen from the 109th Air Control Squadron and 151st Air Refueling Wing are serving in or are returning soon from Qatar in the Middle East.

Here at home we opened the new 54,000 square-foot Salt Lake Readiness Center, which will house the Headquarters of the 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion, the 118th Sapper Company (currently deployed to Afghanistan), and the 85th Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team.

The 85th has been very engaged, supporting local authorities with a number of real-world hazmat situations to include incidents in Layton and Saratoga Springs, where two young girls and a young father, respectively, lost their lives. Despite these tragic circumstances, our Airmen and Soldiers of the 85th conducted themselves professionally, providing critical analysis and advice to first responders on how to mitigate the threat of these substances and prevent further loss of life.

As successful as we have been this year, other situations are of enormous concern at every level of the chain of command. We have lost a handful of our Soldiers and Airmen to suicide, more than we have in recent memory. In some cases these are combat-tested Veterans, but in others, it is the younger members of our ranks who have felt driven to exercise this most desperate option.

We will continue to use the suicide-prevention programs and resources provided by the Department of Defense, but it will require the vigilance of every one of our members, families, and employers to defeat this most silent and lethal of enemies. I charge each of us with the responsibility to continue to be watchful and aware of any danger sign that any one of us may be considering harming ourselves. Keep the lines of communication open and speak up when you suspect a problem.

Another circumstance that has been high on my worry list since I assumed this position is the ever-present wildfire threat on Camp Williams. On Sept. 19, a fire, ignited by weapons-familiarization training on our machine-gun range, grew beyond the capabilities of Camp Williams firefighters, taking advantage of gusty winds to quickly leave our boundaries and move toward Herriman. The fire destroyed three homes and displaced thousands of residents for four days during mandatory evacuations.

The Adjutant General's Introduction

Within 28 hours of the start of the fire, once it was determined that the Utah Guard was responsible, I felt it important to make a public acknowledgement of that responsibility and to state our commitment to do all we can to make things right.

We are working directly with the three homeowners most affected by the fire, and with the assistance of the Defense Finance and Accounting Service have paid more than 1,800 claims in excess of \$3 million to Herriman residents. We continue our dialog—which predated the fire—with the communities surrounding Camp Williams, as well as with our State agencies, to find the most effective ways for us to balance the needs of citizens with our need to train Soldiers and Airmen.

Going forward, we will continue to have challenges in how we do business. We will reevaluate our procedures at Camp Williams and make the necessary adjustments, and we will support our Guardmembers, families, and employers in their responsibilities. Please accept my personal thanks for supporting the Utah Guard in all that our State and Nation ask us to do. 🇺🇸

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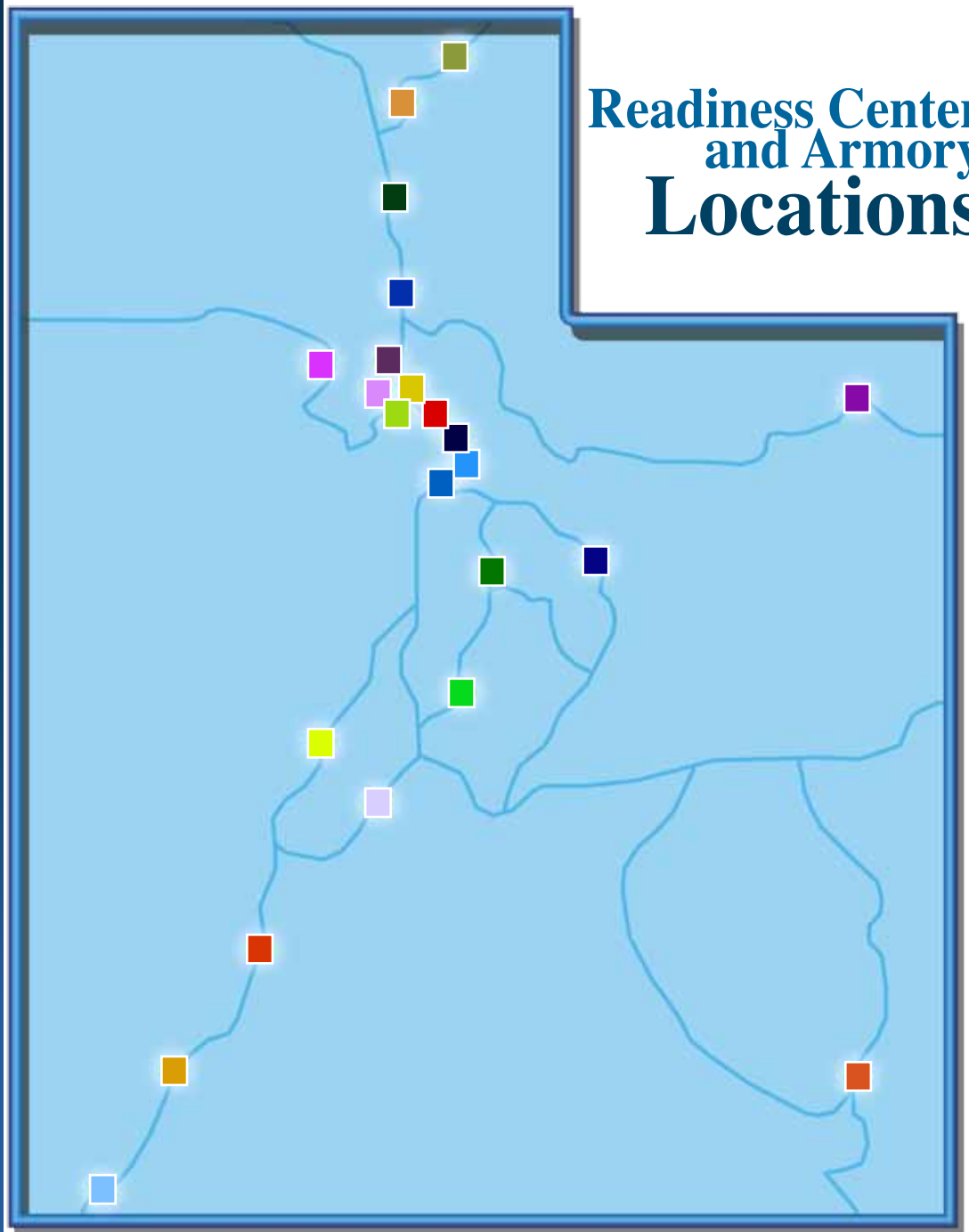
Army and Air Senior Leadership

FRONT ROW (left to right): Colonel Wayne Lee, Assistant Adjutant General, Air; Maj. Gen. Brian Tarbet, Adjutant General; Brig. Gen. Jefferson Burton, Assistant Adjutant General, Army; Brig. Gen. Michael Liechty, Commander, Land Component Command.
BACK ROW (left to right): Command Chief Master Sgt. Denise Rager, Air; Col. Kelvin Findlay, Chief of Staff, Air; Col. Lawrence Schmidt, Joint Chief of Staff; Chief Warrant Officer 5 Gary Cloward, Army; Command Sgt. Maj. Bruce Summers, Army.



Readiness Center and Armory Locations

- American Fork
- Beaver
- Blanding
- Brigham City
- Cedar City
- Draper
- Fillmore
- Lehi
- Logan
- Manti
- Mt. Pleasant
- Ogden
- Orem
- Price
- Salt Lake City
- Spanish Fork
- Springville
- St. George
- Richfield
- Riverton
- Tooele
- Vernal
- West Jordan



Utah Air National Guard

Salt Lake City

Headquarters, Utah Air National Guard
101st Information Operations Flight
109th Air Control Squadron
130th Engineer Installation Squadron
169th Intelligence Squadron
HQ, 151st Air Refueling Wing
151st Operations Group

151st Operations Support Flight
191st Air Refueling Squadron
151st Maintenance Group
151st Maintenance Squadron
151st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
151st Maintenance Operations Flight
151st Mission Support Group

151st Logistics Readiness Squadron
151st Civil Engineering Squadron
151st Security Force Squadron
151st Communications Flight
151st Force Support Squadron
151st Medical Group
151st Medical Squadron

Utah Army National Guard

American Fork

Forward Support Co, 1457th Engineer Bn
HHC, 1457th Engineer Bn

Beaver

C Battery (-), 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

Blanding

Detachment 1, 118th Sapper Co

Brigham City

Det 1, A Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

Cedar City

HHC, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

Draper

Joint Forces Headquarters - Utah
Recruiting and Retention Command
97th Troop Command
128th Mobile Public Affairs Det
115th Maintenance Co (Gs)
1993rd Contingency Contracting Team
HHC, 19th Special Forces Group
HHC, 300th Military Intelligence Bde
A Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn
A Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn
C Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn
653rd Trial Defense Team

Fillmore

Det 1, C Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

Fort Douglas

Fort Douglas Military Museum

Lehi

HHD, 489th Brigade Support Bn

Logan

A Btry (-), 1-145th Field Artillery
B Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn

Manti

B Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

Mt. Pleasant

Det 1, 116th Engineer Co (Horizontal)
Det 1, D Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn

Ogden

197th Special Troops Company
B Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn
C Co, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)

Orem

HHC, 141st Military Intelligence Bn
C Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn
D Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn

Price

Det 1, 624th Engineer Co (Vertical)

Richfield

A Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

Riverton

115th Engineer Facilities Detachment
HHC, 204th Maneuver Enhancement Bde
B Co, 489th Maintenance Co
217th Signal Co
HHC, 65th Fires Bde
HHC, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn
HHD (-), 1-19th Special Forces Gp (Abn)
REC, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)
BSC, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)
B Co, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)
GSC, 19th Special Forces Gp (Abn)
Training Site Command - Utah
640th Regiment-Regional Training Institute
Medical Command
144th Area Support Medical Co

Salt Lake Readiness Center

85th Civil Support Team (WMD)
118th Sapper Co (-)
HHC, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn

Salt Lake City

Det 50, Operations Support Airlift

Spanish Fork

116th Engineer Co (-) (Horizontal)
A Co, 489th Distribution Co
C Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

Springville

624th Engineer Co (-) (Vertical)

St. George

D Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn
B Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn
213th Forward Support Co

Tooele

214th Forward Support Co

Vernal

Det 2, 624th Engineer Co (Vertical)

West Jordan

23rd Army Band
97th Aviation Troop Command
HHC, 1-211th Aviation Bn
A Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn
B Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn
C Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn
D Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn
E Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn
HHC, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)
A Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)
D Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)
E Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)
Det 3, HHC, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn
Det 1, C Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn
Det 3, D Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn
Det 3, E Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn

- Afghanistan
- Australia
- Azerbaijan
- Bosnia
- Cambodia
- Chile
- China
- Costa Rica
- Colombia
- Crete
- Djibouti
- Dominican Republic
- El Salvador
- France
- Georgia
- Germany
- Guam
- Guatemala
- Hungary
- Indonesia
- Iraq
- Italy
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Kenya
- Kosovo
- Kuwait
- Kyrgyzstan
- Malaysia
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Netherlands
- Netherlands Antilles
- Norway
- Philippines
- Poland
- Qatar
- Romania
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Spain
- Thailand
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Tunisia
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- United Arab Emirates

Utah National Guard

- Airmen
- Soldiers
- Joint Air and Army

Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers Serving Their Country Around the World

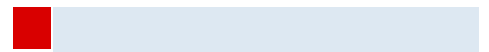


- United States of America
 - Arizona
 - California
 - District of Columbia
 - Florida
 - Georgia
 - Illinois
 - Indiana
 - Iowa
 - Maryland
 - Mississippi
 - New Mexico
 - North Carolina
 - Ohio
 - Oklahoma
 - South Carolina
 - South Dakota
 - Texas
 - Virginia
 - Washington

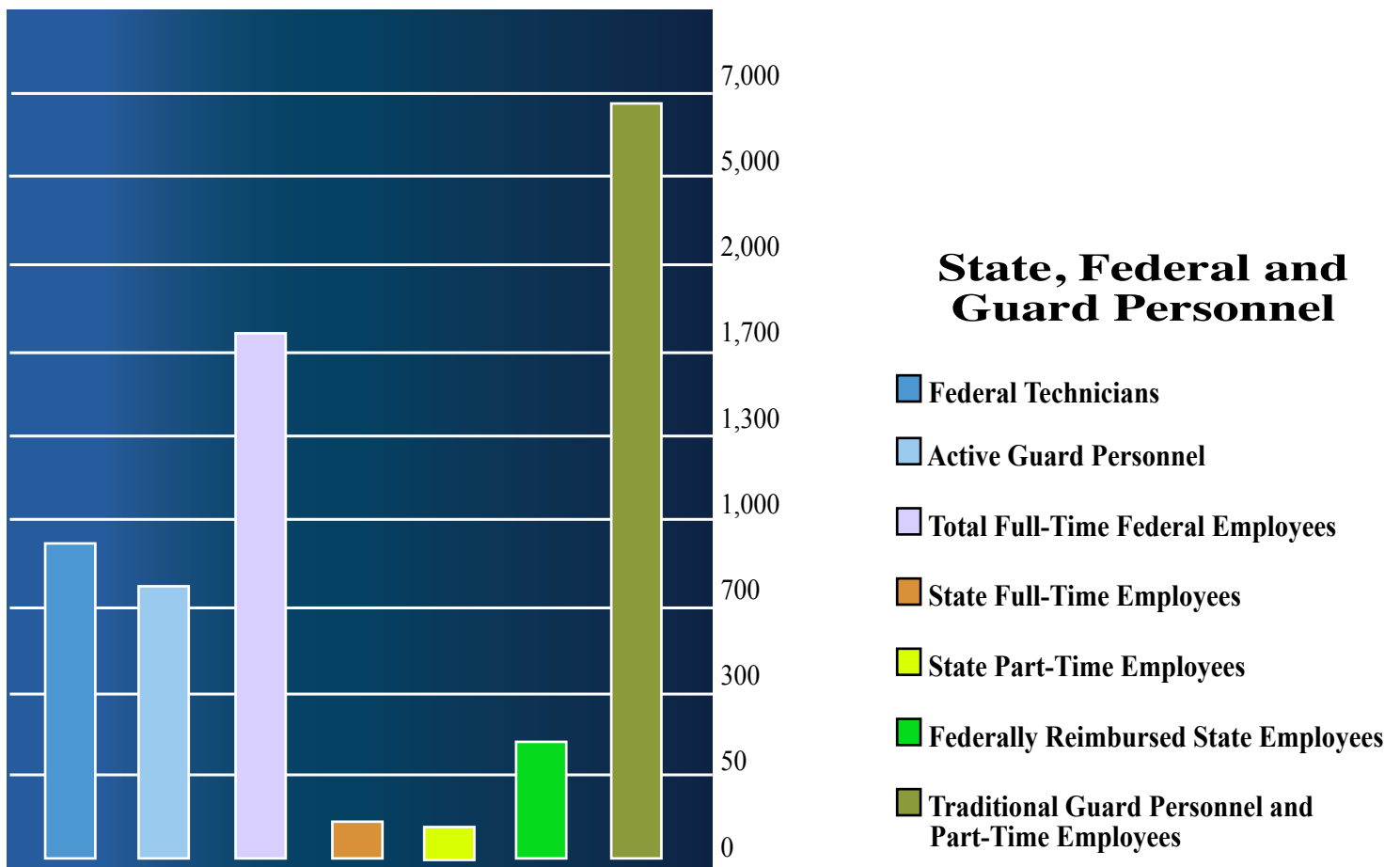


Armory and Readiness Center Location	County	Utah Senate District	Utah House District	Congressional District - U.S.	Federal Technicians	Active Guard Personnel	Total Full-Time Federal Employees	State Full-Time Employees	State Part-Time Employees	Federally Reimbursed State Employees	Traditional Guard Members
American Fork	Utah	14	58	3	5	19	24	--	1	--	152
Beaver	Beaver	28	73	1	2	3	5	--	1	--	80
Blanding	San Juan	27	69	3	--	2	2	--	1	--	56
Brigham City	Box Elder	24	2	1	--	2	2	--	1	--	56
Cedar City	Iron	29	72	1	2	9	11	--	1	--	100
Draper	Salt Lake	5	51	2	229	219	448	26	3	43	650
Dugway	Tooele	13	21	1	1	--	1	1	--	--	3
Fillmore	Millard	28	68	2	--	2	2	--	1	--	50
Fort Douglas	Salt Lake	3	28	2	--	--	--	1	4	--	6
Lehi	Utah	13	56	3	--	10	10	--	1	--	25
Logan	Cache	24	5	1	4	7	11	--	1	--	140
Manti	Sanpete	28	69	3	6	3	9	--	1	--	120
Mt. Pleasant	Sanpete	28	69	3	--	2	2	--	1	--	60
Ogden	Weber	18	10	1	10	7	17	--	1	2	145
Orem	Utah	27	58	3	1	21	22	--	1	18	186
Price	Carbon	27	67	3	--	2	2	--	1	--	60
Richfield	Sevier	28	70	3	4	3	7	--	1	--	90
Riverton	Salt Lake	5	47	3	75	163	238	1	--	82	2,070
Salt Lake City	Salt Lake	3	27	2	--	20	20	--	--	--	112
SLC Airport	Salt Lake	2	22	2	276	163	439	5	10	43	1,395
Spanish Fork	Utah	17	66	3	19	10	29	--	1	--	330
Springville	Utah	17	66	3	--	2	2	--	--	--	50
St. George	Washington	29	75	1	11	8	19	--	2	--	236
Tooele	Tooele	13	1	3	6	3	9	--	1	--	70
Vernal	Uintah	26	55	3	3	2	5	--	1	--	53
West Jordan	Salt Lake	6	42	3	152	62	214	3	--	--	695
TOTAL					810	744	1,554	37	36	188	6,990

Fiscal Year 2010 Personnel Distribution

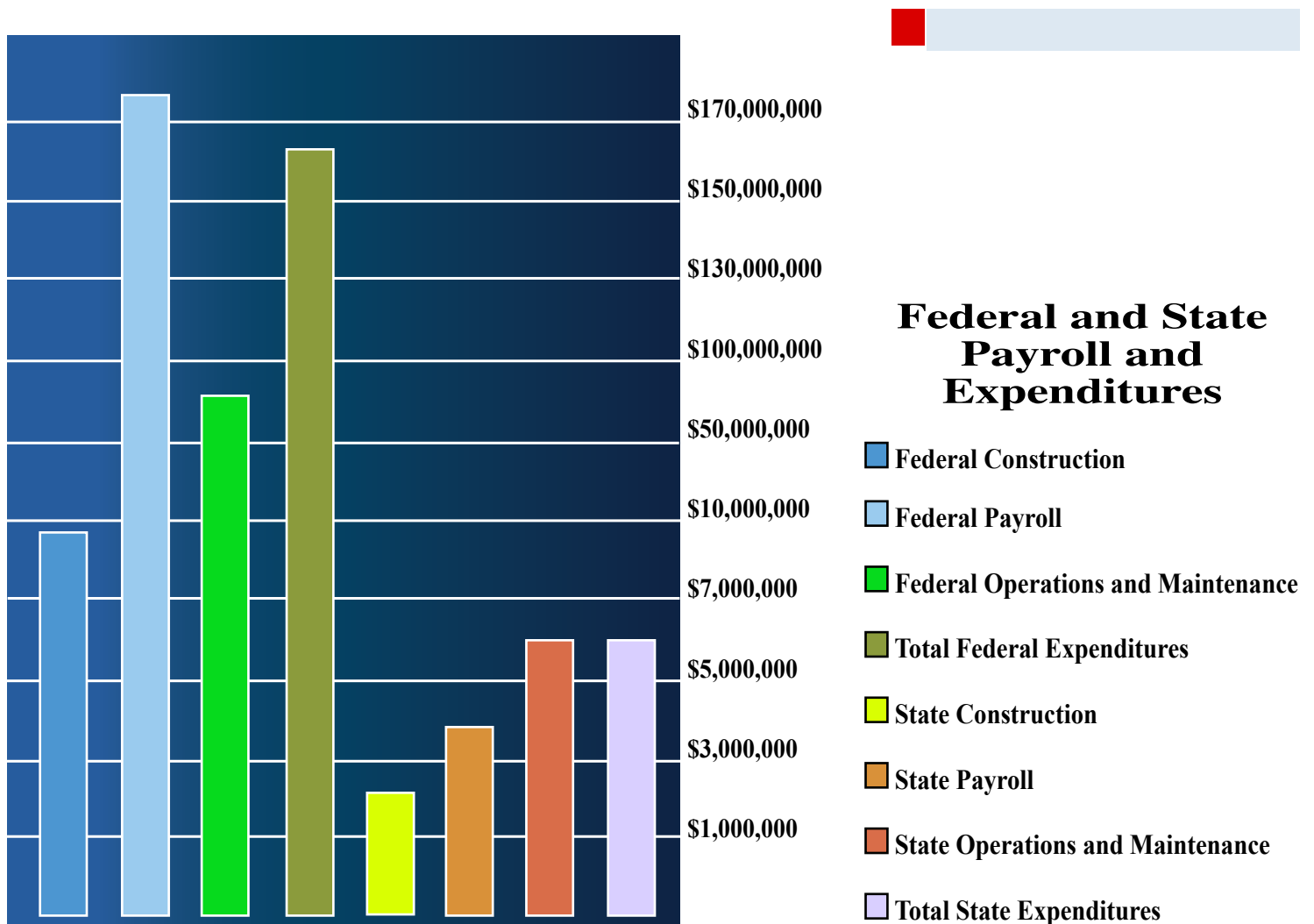


Oct. 1, 2009 to Sept. 30, 2010



Armory and Readiness Center Location	Federal Construction	Federal Payroll	Federal Operations and Maintenance	Total Federal Expenditures	State Construction	State Payroll	State Operations and Maintenance	Total State Expenditures	Total State and Federal Expenditures
American Fork	--	3,610,920	697,870	4,308,790	--	477	19,530	20,007	\$4,328,797
Beaver	--	345,159	250,417	595,575	--	1,535	89,232	90,767	\$686,342
Blanding	--	178,181	162,207	340,388	--	1,003	56,809	57,812	\$398,200
Brigham City	--	366,967	150,174	517,141	1,114,835	1,475	20,104	21,579	\$558,720
Cedar City	--	1,548,156	108,579	1,656,735	--	1,180	39,796	40,976	\$1,667,711
Draper	--	45,959,988	12,364,168	58,324,156	--	1,700,401	1,789,564	3,489,965	\$61,814,121
Dugway	--	53,518	10,300	63,818	--	--	--	--	\$63,818
Fillmore	--	471,073	169,019	640,092	826,027	1,330	29,035	30,365	\$670,457
Fort Douglas	--	--	1,500	1,500	--	21,150	178,239	178,239	\$179,739
Lehi	--	768,263	219,399	987,662	--	1,536	34,400	35,935	\$1,023,597
Logan	--	1,869,074	753,835	2,622,909	--	2,156	46,708	48,864	\$2,671,773
Manti	--	1,029,974	540,435	1,570,409	1,039,820	1,294	16,216	17,510	\$1,587,919
Mt. Pleasant	--	402,147	66,908	469,055	--	2,242	20,798	23,040	\$492,095
Ogden	--	3,940,813	946,460	4,887,273	--	2,156	76,214	78,370	\$4,965,643
Orem	--	5,528,173	478,103	6,006,276	--	2,156	193,414	195,570	\$6,201,847
Price	--	368,529	307,086	675,615	--	2,242	42,718	44,960	\$720,575
Richfield	--	992,906	378,625	1,371,531	1,300,123	1,535	26,644	28,179	\$1,399,710
Riverton	--	36,317,109	25,610,334	61,927,443	--	38,030	154,953	192,983	\$62,120,426
Salt Lake City	1,200,200	3,154,439	552,685	12,307,123	--	--	26,665	26,665	\$60,735,152
SLC Airport	8,600,000	35,308,287	24,200,000	60,708,487	--	277,722	287,881	565,603	\$12,872,726
Spanish Fork	--	3,611,128	1,736,935	5,348,063	--	6,844	89,684	96,528	\$5,444,591
Springville	--	1,386,020	73,148	1,459,168	--	1,552	18,200	19,752	\$1,478,920
St. George	--	3,748,898	1,530,256	5,279,154	--	336	9,354	9,690	\$5,288,844
Tooele	--	1,277,629	499,424	1,777,053	--	263	22,459	22,722	\$1,799,775
Vernal	--	405,728	240,984	646,712	--	1,355	20,273	21,808	\$668,520
West Jordan	--	24,696,934	5,413,074	30,110,008	--	60,681	173,578	234,259	\$30,344,267
TOTAL	\$9,800,200	\$177,340,011	\$77,461,924	\$264,602,136	\$4,280,805	\$2,266,769	\$3,325,380	\$5,582,148	\$270,184,284

Fiscal Year 2010 Economic-Impact Statement



TOP DOWN: The 85th CST responds to Layton hazardous-gas incident. Prior to entering the Toone residence in Layton, SFC Shaine Richards checks his equipment. Sergeant Shauna Rohbock took 6th at Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics.



TOP DOWN: Soldiers with the 19th Special Forces Group prepare the Unmanned Aerial System for its test flight at Dugway Proving Ground July 9. Governor Gary Herbert and MG Brian Tarbet cut the ribbon, opening the Salt Lake Readiness Center. Members of the 151st Air Refueling Wing load patients during a medevac mission from Afghanistan. At the Herriman Fire Joint Operations Center, Lt. Col. Hank McIntire updates the media. A Utah National Guard Blackhawk helicopter fills a water bucket to combat the Herriman Fire.

2010 Highlights



TOP DOWN: Governor Gary Herbert, MG Brian Tarbet and BG Michael Liechty salute Utah National Guard Troops during Governor's Day. Sergeant Adam Gatherum, 85th Civil Support Team, checks his instruments before making entry as part of the maritime exercises at the Port Authority of Guam. Major Daniel Boyack (left) and Maj. Corey Love fly an aeromedical evacuation mission from Afghanistan.

LOCAL SERVICE

- The 85th Civil Support team supported local first responders in real-world incidents in Layton, identifying the substance that tragically took the lives of two young girls.
- Members of the 211th Aviation supported Unified Fire Authority and State Forestry in fighting the Herriman Fire.
- Numerous Engineer projects (road grading, monument building)
- Scouting for Food - Logistical support for statewide food-bank drive
- Great Utah Road Tour – Adventure event for Utah and Moroccan youth
- Freedom Academy – Leadership and citizenship training for high school seniors
- Brig. Gen. David Hooper, Assistant Adjutant General—Air, yielded command to Col. (P) Wayne Lee.
- Governor's Day – Held at Rice-Eccles stadium with commander in chief Gov. Gary Herbert.
- 23rd Army Band concerts statewide to include Veterans Day concert
- The 54,000 square-foot Salt Lake Readiness Center, home to the 118th Sapper Company, 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion, and 85th Civil Support Team, held its ribbon-cutting.

NATIONWIDE

- The Utah National Guard Marathon Team took third overall at the National Guard Marathon held in Lincoln, Nebraska.

WORLDWIDE

- State Partnership Program with Morocco. Utah Airmen and Soldiers partnered with members of U.S. Armed Services to provide medical, dental, and veterinary services during Operation African Lion. The 23rd Army Band traveled to Morocco to participate in a number of concerts for Moroccan and U.S. Embassy audiences. The 19th Special Forces Group trained in Morocco with their Soldiers on mountain-rescue techniques.
- Camp Williams Training Site Command and members of other Utah Guard units supported Immediate Response 2010, a bilateral exercise in Georgia to train U.S. and Georgian forces in platoon- and company-level tasks: cordon and search, route clearance, quick-reaction force, conducting patrols, and providing medical care.
- Members of the 151st Air Refueling Wing, in Chile to train pilots, assisted with transport of humanitarian supplies after the February earthquake there.
- Utah National Guard members served or trained in these countries in 2010: Afghanistan, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia, Cambodia, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Colombia, Crete, Curaçao, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, France, Georgia, Germany, Guam, Guatemala, Hungary, Indonesia, Iraq, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Morocco, Mozambique, Netherlands, Netherlands Antilles, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates

More 2010 Highlights



UNITS RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS

- Detachment 50, Operational Support Airlift – CENTCOM Area of Operations
- 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team – Kosovo
- 2-285th Aviation – OIF Iraq
- 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion – OEF Afghanistan (Intelligence Support)
- 151st Air Refueling Wing – OEF Turkey (In-air Refueling Operations)
- 151st Security Forces Squadron – OEF Afghanistan

CURRENTLY DEPLOYED

(Approximately 750 Army, 150 Air)

- 19th Special Forces Group – OND Iraq
- 109th Air Control Squadron – Qatar
- 118th Sapper Company – OEF Afghanistan
- 141st Military Intelligence Battalion – OND Iraq
- 144th Area Support Medical Company – OEF Afghanistan
- 151st Air Refueling Wing – Qatar

ACCOMPLISHMENTS - INDIVIDUAL AND UNIT

- Sergeant Shauna Rohbock, JFHQ - JFHQ - 2006 Women's Bobsled silver medalist, took 6th at Vancouver 2010 Winter Olympics.

AIR

- Airman of the Year, Senior Airman Marc Crosby, 169th Intelligence Squadron
- Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Tech Sergeant Kristi Tuero, 151st Communications Flight
- Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Senior Master Sergeant Sterling Poulson, Headquarters, Utah Air National Guard
- First Sergeant of the Year, Senior Master Sergeant Richard Miller, 151st Civil Engineer Squadron

ARMY

- Soldier of the Year, Specialist Joshua Wardle, 1457th Engineer Battalion
- Utah Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Sergeant First Class Corey Bybee, 640th Regiment (Regional Training Institute)
- Utah First Sergeant of the Year, 1st Sergeant David Sauer, 300th Military Intelligence Battalion



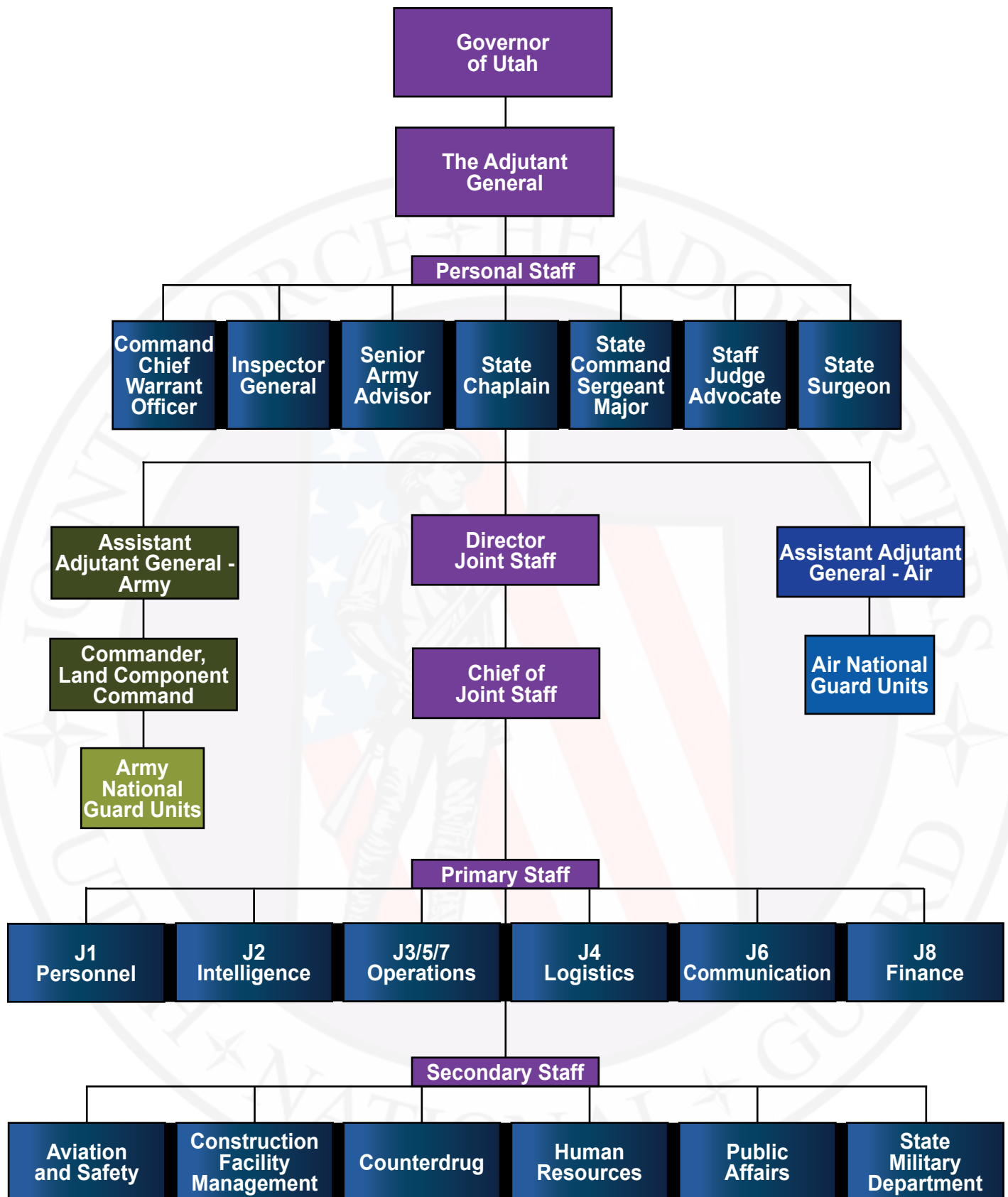
Five Utah Air National Guard KC-135 tankers await a five-plane launch during Emergency War Order training. SGT Morgan Davidson, 23rd Army Band, is welcomed to Kenitra, Morocco by a group of horsemen wearing traditional clothing. Guidon bearer Spc. Sterling Cope, 144th Area Support Medical Company, shows off the unit colors at the 144th departure ceremony March 25.



TOP DOWN: A 19th Special Forces Soldier deploying to Iraq, says goodbye at the Salt Lake Air Base June 27. Staff Sgt. Derek Nasfell receives a flag to be retired during Spanish Fork's 12th annual Flag Retirement and Military Salute Ceremony.

TOP DOWN: Members of the 118th Sappers deploy to Afghanistan. Staff Sgt. Jason Butterfield suffered a left wrist and hand injury when riding in the turret of a Mine-Resistant, Ambush Protected vehicle, which rolled near Helmand Province, Afghanistan. Major Mike Watkins, right foreground, civil-military officer for the 204th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, sits in a simulated meeting with his Malaysian counterpart, Cpt. Hanan left, and two civilian role players. Medics from Utah's 144th Area Support Medical Company deployed to Forward Operating Base Salerno, in southeastern Afghanistan.

Joint Forces Headquarters Organizational Chart



Joint Forces Headquarters - Utah

Joint Forces Headquarters-Utah (JFHQ-UT) acts as the standing headquarters for the State of Utah. JFHQ-UT also supports civil authorities with capabilities and forces in support of homeland security and domestic emergencies.

JFHQ-UT consists of a command group, personal staff, primary staff and secondary staff with various duties and responsibilities. Each staff section provides expertise and recommendations to the command on important issues facing the Utah National Guard.

The command group of JFHQ-UT consists of The Adjutant General (TAG); Director, Joint Staff (DJS); Assistant Adjutant General for Army (AAG-A) and Assistant Adjutant General for Air (AAG-AF); and may be augmented by the Chief of Staff (CoS) and others as required. Its purpose is to advise the commander in the establishment of policies and procedures for the effective function of JFHQ-UT.

The Adjutant General, as commander, directs the efforts of the Utah National Guard worldwide. The Chief of Staff is the principal staff officer, assistant and advisor to TAG and is the full-time supervisor responsible for the personal, primary and secondary staffs.

The personal staff reports directly to TAG. The personal staff includes the command chief warrant officer, inspector general, senior army advisor, state chaplain, state command sergeant major, staff judge advocate and state surgeon.

The primary and secondary staffs support both federal and state missions. The federal mission is any mission that supports the aims of the president of the United States. Support to the state mission is made through the joint staff. In both cases, members of the staff report directly to the chief of staff.

The joint staff (JStaff) was created with two primary responsibilities: incident management and service-component coordination. Incident management includes contingency



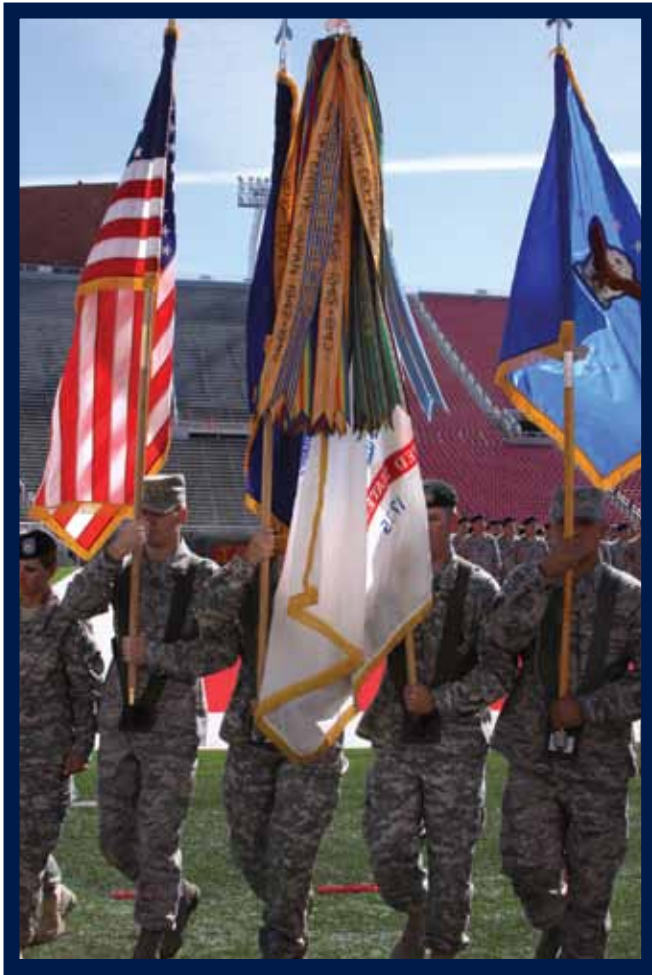
response and emergency actions when Utah National Guard personnel are assigned to support federal, state or local civilian authorities. The Joint Operations Center (JOC) provides command and control during emergencies and large-scale operations. The JStaff is also responsible for service-component coordination in order to facilitate communications between Air and Army components.

The JStaff is comprised of eight principal and secondary divisions as required; two officers staff each function—one from the Army and one from the Air. Each division is responsible to command and control all attached or assigned forces that respond to emergency or contingency missions. All persons serving in a “J” function or deputy “J” function at the JFHQ level are “dual-hatted,” meaning they also serve in their respective Air or Army component in various capacities. This ensures that officers with significant talent and expertise contribute to operations at all levels.

JFHQ is engaged in a myriad of activities to maintain proficiency in support of homeland defense and homeland security activities. The operational tempo is high, and over the past year, activities have included joint interagency exercises with the State of Utah to develop emergency support function packages for response to natural and man-made disasters. In support of the State Partnership Program, key members of the JFHQ regularly coordinate with officials from the Departments of Homeland Security, Public Safety and Health to share information and ideas with visiting officials from the Kingdom of Morocco. Morocco regularly hosts UTNG subject-matter experts in exchanges with Utah National Guard Troops. These exercises and exchanges with international, national and state agencies are key elements in the continued development and training of the JFHQ staff to effectively respond to future emergencies and disasters. 🇺🇸

Joint Forces Headquarters building, Utah Air and Army National Guard, Draper, Utah.





Governor's Day

As part of the 57th annual Governor's Day event, more than 6,000 Utah Air and Army National Guardsmen marched in a pass-and-review parade before the commander in chief of the Utah National Guard, Governor Gary Herbert, at Rice-Eccles Stadium Sept. 18.

In observance of this time-honored military tradition, Governor Herbert inspected the units alongside the Adjutant General of Utah, MG Brian Tarbet, and commander of the Utah National Guard's Land Component Command, BG Michael Liechty. Approximately 20 Air Force flights and 70 Army companies stood in formation across the field for the official review.

"You get a feeling of the strength of the Guard visually when you see them in that particular formation, concentrated on the football field," said Tarbet during an appraisal of the review after the parade. "You get a feeling of just how big the Guard is, how diverse it is, and how many different functions it has. I think it's a great pictorial display of what the Guard is. I thought they looked great today."

"The other thing we always notice is who is not there," said Tarbet. "We are approaching 1,000 deployed Soldiers and Airmen again. There is a substantial number out there saving lives, working in the direct action, refueling and performing a whole host of other functions. It's what we do, the specialties that we have, and we're bringing those to bear right now."

At the ceremony, the official reviewing party presented awards to Utah Guard Outstanding Performers of the Year.

Soldier of the Year:
SPC Joshua Wardle, 1457th Engineer Battalion
Noncommissioned Officer of the Year - Army:
SFC Corey Bybee, 640th Regiment (Regional Training Institute)
First Sergeant of the Year - Army:
1SG David Sauer, 141st Military Intelligence Battalion
Airman of the Year:
SrA Marc Crosby, 169th Intelligence Squadron
Noncommissioned Officer of the Year - Air:
TSgt Kristi Tuero, 151st Communications Flight
Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Year - Air:
SMSgt Sterling Poulson, Headquarters Utah Air National Guard
First Sergeant of the Year - Air:
SMSgt Richard Miller, 151st Civil Engineer Squadron

Also during the ceremony, unit colors were presented to the governor and a 19-volley cannon salute was fired in his honor. A combination of six Blackhawk and Apache helicopters performed a formation fly-by over the stadium, followed by a KC-135 Stratotanker poised in refueling position.

In a speech during the review, Governor Herbert thanked both the Guardsmen and their family members for their contributions.

"Thanks for your service. Thanks for your sacrifice," said Herbert. "What you are doing is not insignificant. It's important for our state. It's important for our country. It's important for the world."


Both General Tarbet and the commander of the 151st Air Refueling Wing, Col Samuel Ramsay, praised Governor Herbert during a reception following the review.

“The governor is very supportive of the Guard,” said Ramsay. “His personal experience as a Guardsman has really helped him empathize with what we’re going through. We know that he knows. He’s had a significant impact with employers whenever we have people deploying downrange.”

“We’re grateful to hear Governor Herbert thank the families,” said Tarbet. “In a large part it’s Governor’s Day today, but for many units it’s also a family weekend, and that’s what it ought to be. The Airmen and the Soldiers, we volunteered for this. We know what we’re doing. The families kind of come along with us. Anytime we can recognize their sacrifice, their commitment, their dedication, that’s what we need to do.”

Many units provided concession stands and activity booths to support their Family Readiness activities.

Tech Sgt. Mark Garcia, a transportation assistant with the 151st Logistics Readiness Squadron, brought his wife and kids to enjoy the activities. Garcia’s wife Regina said the kids had fun on the zipline and in the bounce house, but it was the ceremony that captured the adults.

“It’s a proud moment for us to spot our family member as they march by,” said Regina Garcia. “It’s moving to watch the sea of faces of people who are so brave and so selfless. There are a lot of emotional parts during the ceremony, like when they play the National Anthem, but when the governor thanked the families... it just about brought us to tears.” 



Top Down: Guardmembers march across Rice-Eccles field during the pass and review. Governor Herbert salutes the flag during the National Anthem. Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers stand in formation while a KC-135 flies over the stadium. Guardmembers in formation on the parade field. Opposite Page: Members of the Utah National Guard Color Guard march past Governor Herbert and post colors at the 57th annual Governor’s Day.



Left: Fort Douglas Military Museum hosted the Fort Douglas Day Living History where reenactors dress in period uniforms.
Above: Participants enjoy the vehicles on display as part of Fort Douglas Day military vehicle parade.

Museum and Historical Services

The mission of the Fort Douglas Military Museum is to collect, preserve and interpret Utah military heritage. The focus is on the history of Fort Douglas, the Utah National Guard (UTNG), and Utah Veterans.

In addition to support from the UTNG, the Fort Douglas Military Museum Association (a nonprofit organization) also provides financial and legislative support to the Museum.


This year, the Museum conducted a series of educational events that told the story of Utah's military heritage. The Museum hosted a panel discussion on *Veterans in Transition: From Soldier to Student*. The panel included professors from the University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College, a student Veteran, and the Utah National Guard Veterans' benefits coordinator.

Another symposium, entitled "A New Century, A New World, 1898-1920," featured guest lecturers from the University of Utah, Weber State, Utah State Historical Society and Fort Douglas Museum staff discussing the Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection, World War I, Versailles Treaty and the effect these events had on today's world.

Our traditional Fort Douglas Day included a parade of eight restored WWII military vehicles honoring the Veterans who rode in them during the parade. Various living-history demonstrations and music by a 1940's Glen Miller type band were also featured, followed by free hot dogs and hamburgers.

Four field trips were conducted this year, three one-day and one five-day trip. The one-day trips were to the Tooele Military Vehicle Museum, Simpson Springs Pony Express Trail and Bear River Battle site. The five-day trip followed the trail of the Nez Perce Indian Campaign of 1877.

The design of our new main gallery is completed and the next step is to construct and install the exhibits. Progress is well underway towards completing a Gathering of Soldiers portal exhibit. This exhibit will feature Soldiers from all periods of Fort Douglas history. It should be completed by mid December.

With visitation up from last year, the Museum is seeing an increase in public awareness of its military history programs. The Museum is located at 32 Potter Street on historic Fort Douglas. Visiting hours are 12:00 to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. 

As the 23rd Army Band plays, WO1 Denny Saunders leads the audience and high school choir members in singing the National Anthem at the opening of the 54th annual Veterans Day Concert.



Veterans Day Concert

The Utah National Guard held its 54th Annual Veterans Day concert Nov. 11 at the University of Utah's Jon M. Huntsman Center.

Soldiers and Airmen, along with many retired military members and their families, were in attendance. Wearing their red coats, members of the Honorary Colonels, who helped fund the event, were also present.

Band conductor Warrant Officer Denny Saunders led the 23rd Army Band in his first Veterans Day Concert as its commander, following the retirement of Chief Warrant Officer J. Michael Cottam.

The program featured musical numbers by the Band as well as a combined choir. The 23rd Army Rock Band also performed numbers such as "American Soldier" by Toby Keith, featuring soloist Staff Sgt. Ben Jacobson.


The 700-voice Granite School District high school combined choir was organized by Mr. Clinton Frohm, music curriculum specialist for the Granite School District and retired military member, and was conducted by music directors from each of the high schools.

Senior Master Sgt. Sterling Poulson hosted the concert, themed "The Last Full Measure." The concert included remarks by The Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. Brian L. Tarbet and Assistant Adjutant General for Army, Brig. Gen. Jefferson S. Burton.

Burton spoke about the devotion of the Utah National Guard. "It's my honor to lead the finest men and women in uniform," he said, "and I know that they are ready at a moment's notice to give that last full measure of devotion."

The lights in the hall dimmed, and under a single spotlight, Rod Decker, a KUTV 2News reporter, read the Gettysburg Address. Immediately following the reading, "Taps" rang through the silent hall while people stood in honor of the Fallen.

Chief Master Sgt. David Herrscher, a member of the Utah Air National Guard, was in attendance with his 85-year-old father.

"It was a great experience to be at the concert with my dad, who was in the third wave of Soldiers to land at Omaha Beach during World War II. During the Armed Forces Medley, I was able to stand for the Air Force Song and with my dad for the Army Song." 


Community Support is an integral part of the Utah National Guard's mission. Supporting events and activities increases our visibility and adds legitimacy to state and local activities. In 2010 the Utah Guard fulfilled more than 500 requests for support throughout Utah.

Covering our state with helicopters, climbing walls, military vehicles, artillery pieces and musical instruments kept Utahns entertained and Guardmembers busy. The 23rd Army Band performed at concerts and parades, while color guards, rifle- and cannon-salute teams and aircraft flyovers honored the Fallen and those who have served in battle and on the homefront.

Many annual events depend on Utah National Guard participation, such as Scouting for Food, the Minuteman 5K

Run/Walk, Freedom Academy, Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Veterans Day.

The Utah Guard also supported one-time events such as partnering with Utah Division of Wildlife and Hill Air Force to place "guzzlers" on the Newfoundland range in order to increase water accessibility to bighorn sheep, the release of a rehabilitated golden eagle to honor fallen Troops from the current conflict, a vast number of Boy Scout events for their centennial celebrations and the ribbon cutting of the George E. Wahlen Veterans Medical Center.

Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers have a vested interest in supporting the community because, as Guard members, they *are* the community. Our members know the importance of public support of our military; whenever and however they serve our citizens, they do so with the highest levels of competence, respect and devotion. And when the time comes, they know that our citizens will return the favor by standing behind Guardmembers as they are called away to serve wherever their duty takes them. 

Patti Richards, of Great Basin Wildlife, nursed an injured eagle back to health and released the eagle in a ceremony to honor Utah's Fallen at the Utah Veterans Memorial Park. Utah National Guard Recruiters oversee climbers on the wall at Rio Tinto Stadium Aug. 14. Guard members unfurl an American Flag during REAL Salt Lake soccer opening ceremony at Rio Tinto Stadium. The Utah National Guard along with family, friends and volunteers from the Make-a-Wish Foundation fulfilled 7-year-old Mark Jeanes wish of becoming a Soldier by making him an honorary airborne paratrooper at his home July 30. The Utah National Guard BB Gun range serves as a backdrop during the posting of colors at the Minuteman 5K Run/Walk at Rio Tinto Stadium.



Community Support

The Honorary Colonels Corps of Utah is a major contributor to the success of the Utah National Guard. It is an organization of community leaders that provides significant support for a number of National Guard activities. The Corps is comprised of current and former National Guard general officers, current and past governors, legislators, judges, business owners and leaders from every walk of life. The Utah Guard is known for its support to the community, and the Honorary Colonels provide significant support to the Guard.


During June, the Corps sponsored the 49th Annual Minuteman Awards Banquet. The banquet honored local citizens who have distinguished themselves through community service in civic, religious, business, humanitarian or military capacities. This year's recipients included Gov. Gary R. Herbert, President Dieter F. Uchtdorf, Mr. Fred C. Adams, Col. Gerald R. "Skip" Daynes, Mr. Richard A. Parkinson, Mrs. Melba H. Wahlen and Chief Master Sgt. Robert A. Hill. In August, the Corps helped sponsor the 49th Annual Freedom Academy. This is a weeklong event that hosts high school student leaders from throughout the state in an unforgettable, freedom-education experience. Held at Camp Williams, the Academy acquaints students with prisoners, the military, civic and religious leaders and encourages each student to be an ambassador of freedom at their own school.

Members of the Corps are involved, in one way or another, in most significant events in the Utah National Guard. Involvement includes financial assistance for special projects such as the annual Veterans Day Concert; at other times, they may be a liaison between the Guard and less-involved community members. Whatever their participation, the Honorary Colonels Corps is a valuable and supportive part of the Guard community in Utah.



Honorary Colonel and Maj. Gen. Brian Tarbet attend the Veterans Day Concert held at Rice-Eccles Stadium.

Honorary Colonels Corps of Utah

Retired Brig. Gen. E. J. "Jake" Garn is commander of the Honorary Colonels Corps. Below is a current roster of the Honorary Colonels Corps of Utah. Each member adds value and strengthens the Utah National Guard. 

Hon Col Dorothy Anderson
Hon Col Fred S. Ball
Honorable Norman H. Bangerter
Hon Col Eugene W. Banks
Hon Col Michael Barnes
Hon Col Warren Barnes
Hon Col Lane Beattie
Hon Col Lewis K. Billings
Hon Col Rodney H. Brady
Hon Col Dorothy Brockbank
Hon Col Mark Buchi
BG Jefferson S. Burton
Hon Col Kenneth R. Burton
Hon Col Patrick Byrne
Hon Col James E. Charnholm
BG (Ret) Ronald Chytraus
Hon Col Howard S. Clark
Hon Col Charles W. Dahlquist, II
Hon Col Victoria P. Davison
Hon Col Gerald "Skip" Daynes
BG (Ret) Ralph L. Dewshup
Hon Col Ezekiel Dumke, Jr.
Hon Col L. James Ellsworth
Hon Col Rex E. Falkenrath
Hon Col David P. Felt
Hon Col Tage I. Flint
BG (Ret) Bruce C. Frandsen
BG (Ret) Melvin V. Frandsen
Hon Col Michael J. Frodsham
Hon Col Robert H. Garff

*BG (Ret) E.J. "Jake" Garn**
Hon Col Jake W. Garn
Hon Col Mary Ann Garner
Hon Col John B. Goddard
Hon Col William J. Godwin
BG (Ret) Stanley J. Gordon
BG (Ret) Parry Greenwood, Jr.
Hon Col George Gregersen
Hon Col Myrna T. Griffone
Hon Col David F. Gunn
MG (Ret) John M. Hafen
Hon Col Kay Hall
Hon Col James V. Hansen
Hon Col John L. Hansen
BG (Ret) Scott B. Harrison
BG (Ret) Jon C. Heaton
Hon Col Ronald E. Henriksen
Honorable Gary R. Herbert
Hon Col. A. Lawrence Higgins
Hon Col Duane C. Hill
BG (Ret) David M. Hooper
Hon Col Henry A. Huish
Honorable Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.
BG (Ret) Gil H. Iker
Hon Col Clark D. Jones
Hon Col B.Z. Kastler
Hon Col Peter C. Knudson
Hon Col Linda M. Kruse
Hon Col Fred P. Lampropoulos
Hon Col Kurt L. Larsen

BG (Ret) James B. Lee
BG Michael R. Liechty
Hon Col Boyd A. Lindquist
Hon Col John E. Lindquist
BG (Ret) Larry V. Lunt
BG (Ret) James G. Martin
MG (Ret) John L. Matthews
Hon Col Vickie McCall
MG (Ret) James M. Miller
Hon Col June M. Morris
Hon Col William H. Nelson
BG (Ret) David W. Noall
Hon Col Robert S. Pembroke
Hon Col Raymond Peterson
Hon Col Keith Rattie
Hon Col Lynn Richard Raybould
Hon Col Lynelle Raymond
Hon Col J. Bruce Reading
Hon Col Jason B. Reading
BG (Ret) Lyle M. Rich
Hon Col Lon R. Richardson, Jr.
Hon Col Wallace H. Ring
Hon Col Kim Robinson
Hon Col Antonio L. Savoca
Hon Col Harris H. Simmons
Hon Col Robert A. Simmons
Hon Col Roy Souder
*Hon Col Robert L. Stayner**
Hon Col Michael G. Sullivan
Hon Col Paul B. Swenson

*MG Brian L. Tarbet**
Hon Col Rex E. Thornton
Hon Col Reudiger Tillmann
BG Robert S. Voyles
Hon Col Kip Wadsworth
Hon Col M. Walker Wallace
Hon Col C. Reuel Ware
*Hon Col Paul M. Warner**
Hon Col Dolores Wheeler
Hon Col Don M. Wheeler
Hon Col Paul L. Whitehead
MG (Ret) Patrick D. Wilson
Hon Col David M. Winberg
*BG (Ret) Brent E. Winget**
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*Hon Col Richard Workman**
BG (Ret) Roland R. Wright
Hon Col Wallace A. Wright, Jr.
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Hon Col Dale O. Zabriskie
**Board Member*

Emeritus Members:
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Hon Col Allan M. Lipman, Jr.
Hon Col Richard L. Nelson
Hon Col David R. Spafford

Utah Army National Guard Organizational Chart



Soldiers of the Utah Army National Guard have performed superbly in 2010. From Cambodia to Colombia; from Afghanistan to Iraq, Soldiers have deployed in support of bilateral training exercises and combat operations with fluidity and effectiveness. Utah formations continue to demonstrate the flexibility and effectiveness of National Guard Soldiers in both peace and war. In times of diminishing budgets, the Guard provides tremendous value to the taxpayer. Soldiers from the Utah Guard have played pivotal roles in the toppling of dictators and the capture and elimination of enemies to our citizens and threats to our national security. Members of the Utah Guard are currently providing support in more than 30 countries worldwide. Guardsmen are at the forefront of efforts to protect our citizens and our way of life.

Our families are the key to our success, and as a result, we have increased the number of resources available to our Family Support Program. We have expanded our Yellow Ribbon events, added on-site counseling assets for Soldiers and families with the hiring of two clinical social workers, continued a solid youth program and are providing emergency support to Soldiers and families in need. Committed families continue to be one of our single most important assets. The success of our mobilization efforts are enhanced by the Family Support program, providing extensive resources to support loved ones of deployed Soldiers.

The Utah National Guard is founded on service to our communities, our state and our nation. This heritage was established at the Guard's inception in the spring of 1894. Prior to that, Utahns had rendered military service in the defense of life and property under the banner of the Nauvoo Legion in the 1840s.

It was from the members of the Nauvoo Legion and the veterans of the Mormon Battalion and the Mexican War (1846-48) that the first militia of the Utah Territory was organized. This hardy group of Citizen-Soldiers retained the Nauvoo Legion name, and for the next 40 years, ensured peace and protection for territorial residents facing a variety of threats and challenges. As the nation grew and the Utah Territory approached statehood, the Utah National Guard was federally organized and the first units were chartered in March 1894.

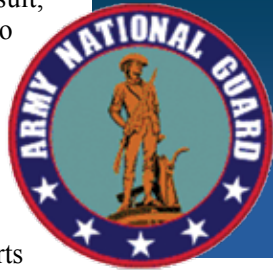
Within weeks, the newly organized Utah National Guard saw its first service. Since that first mission in April 1894, units of the Utah National Guard have served countless missions both at home and on foreign soil. From its humble beginnings, the Utah National Guard has grown to be a nationally prominent organization, setting the standard for other states to follow. Utah units enjoy a tremendous reputation nationally for their character and performance of duty. Whether the mission is a combat operation or in response to a regional disaster, the Utah Army National Guard has demonstrated time and time again the attributes of professionalism and skill in the successful performance of the mission.

The Guard has two primary missions: the first is to support the people of the State of Utah. When called upon by the governor, units and Guard members support civil authorities in protecting life and property. They are also called upon to help preserve peace, order, and public safety, which are integrated into the Homeland Defense mission.

The second mission of the Utah Army National Guard is to the people of the United States. When called upon by the president, the Guard provides well-trained and fully equipped military units to serve as part of the total force in times of war or other national

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During Immediate Response 2010 Utah National Guard Soldiers fulfill their assigned support or combat duties as part of the joint U.S.-Georgian exercise.




emergencies. The Guard continues to fulfill this mission overseas for Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

In 2009, the Utah National Guard continues to prepare for natural-disaster response by working closely with federal, state and local agencies by way of realistic training exercises and continuous improvement to existing contingency plans. In the recent past, elements of the Utah Guard have shown their flexibility and their amazing capability by effectively responding on short notice to support beleaguered citizens following Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Ike.

The Utah Army Guard possesses a broad variety of units and capabilities. Administered by Joint Forces HQ, Artillery, Aviation, Maneuver Enhancement, Military Intelligence and Special Forces units carry out their local missions and prepare for overseas service.

The largest Army training center in Utah is Camp W.G. Williams, located at the south end of Salt Lake Valley. Encompassing nearly 30,000 acres, Camp Williams serves not only as a major training site for Utah National Guard units, but also for units throughout the U.S. and even some foreign nations. In addition to weapons ranges, battle courses and many outdoor training facilities, Camp Williams also has maintenance shops, troop-support capabilities and extensive classroom space. Camp Williams is home to the 640th Regimental Regional Training Institute, which trains National Guard Soldiers from 13 Western states and Guam.

The headquarters of the Utah National Guard is located in Draper next to I-15 in the southern end of Salt Lake Valley. This sprawling facility is also home to several major commands and separate units.

One of the reasons for the success of the Utah Army National Guard is the deep sense of community felt by Guardmembers and Utah citizens. Guard members are constantly serving their communities in many ways both in and out of uniform. With outstanding leaders, Soldiers, and seasoned combat Veterans, the Utah Army National Guard continues its long tradition of distinguished service to the state and nation. 

The 65th Fires Brigade has been very busy with many New Equipment Trainings and Fieldings, and through all this the units continued to attend many exercises and trainings to prove their viability and readiness. One exercise that HHB, 65th FiB participated in was a joint exercise with the United States Navy. The Fleet Synthetic Training-Joint (FST-J) exercises are the capstone training events the Navy uses to certify a Carrier Strike Group (CSG) prior to deployment. These exercises incorporate both higher headquarters and subordinate elements, which are difficult to duplicate during home station training. The FST-J exercises incorporate units from the Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps. These elements, along with robust Naval unit participation, have provided the Brigade with the opportunity to train on joint tasks including the employment of naval gunfire, close air support, air interdiction, Marine attack helicopter support and the employment of Unmanned Aircraft System systems.

On Sept. 17, Col. Richard Miller relinquished command of the 65th Fires Brigade to Col. Loren Fuller.

The 2-222nd Field Artillery Battalion embarked on a busy training year as their M109A6 Paladin Howitzers underwent an overhaul of their communication and positioning systems. The 2-222 FA along with the 213th Forward Support Company went to Fort Stewart, Ga. for Annual Training in May 2010. After the Soldiers endured the six-hour flight on C-130s, Annual Training began with intensive equipment draws and heavy maintenance. The different and unfamiliar terrain forced the Battalion Soldiers to work hard and employ different Artillery tactics that were not normally used at training areas in Dugway and Camp Williams, Utah.

Additionally, the 2-222nd FA sent 23 Soldiers, two Paladins and support personnel to Yuma, Ariz. to provide Artillery fires for Unmanned Aircraft System testing and training. The test command at Yuma Proving Grounds, gave tremendous kudos




65th Fires Brigade

to the Soldiers of the "Triple Deuce" for their professionalism, work ethic, and subject matter expertise.

On Aug. 7, Lt. Col. Seven Esplin relinquished command of the 2-222nd FA to Lt. Col. Brad Fuller.

The 1-145th Field Artillery Battalion met its training objectives and reestablished their expertise to function as a Field Artillery Battalion. In addition to the tremendous collective training progress, the Battalion hosted a boss-lift to ensure employers of Utah Army National Guard Soldiers are supportive of their National Guard members. Each employer was afforded the opportunity to fly in a Blackhawk helicopter to Dugway, Utah and participate in artillery missions. In addition, the unit coordinated missions with the 1-211th Aviation Battalion where employers were able to watch combined live-fire missions from both artillery fire and Apache helicopters.

As always, the Battalion was proud to support numerous community events with cannon salutes such as Veteran's Day and 4th of July parades, flag retirement ceremonies and a nineteen-gun salute for the Honorable Governor Gary R. Herbert in September during Governor's Day. 



Staff members of the 65th Fires Brigade work on a simulation at Fleet Synthetic Training-Joint exercise with the Navy. (front row: Pfc. Taylor Thompson, Sgt. Maj. Ron Dooley, Capt. Michael Kjar, Maj. Steve Brenchley. back row: Chief Warrant Officer 3 Greg Koyle, Staff Sgt. Gray Hansen, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Scott Palfreyman.) Members of the 1-145th Field Artillery train on the Paladins. Colonel Loren Fuller receives the colors from Brig. Gen. Michael Liechty on Sept. 17.



97th Troop Command



During this past training year, 97th Troop Command saw a change of command with Col. Edward Gundersen relinquishing command to Col. Milada Copeland at a ceremony at Rice-Eccles Stadium. More than 500 Soldiers from the units within Troop Command participated in the change of command as Command Sgt. Maj. Raelynn Oman passed the Troop Command colors to the outgoing commander, Col. Gundersen, and received the colors from the incoming commander, Col. Copeland.

Three organizations under Troop Command experienced changes of command during training year 2010; Capt. David Cerchio relinquished command of the 115th Maintenance Company to 1st Lt. Ryan Wimmer; Maj. Lorraine Januzelli relinquished command of the 128th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment to Capt. Wencke Tate; and Maj. Andrew Archuleta relinquished command of the 197th Special Troops Company (Airborne) to Maj. Joaquin Mixco.


Troop Command welcomed home the 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team, under the command of Maj. Chris Patterson, from their yearlong tour in Kosovo. The command also said farewell to 80 Soldiers of the 144th Area Support Medical Company, under the command of Capt. David Stefl, as they deployed to Afghanistan to provide medical support to Coalition Servicemen and women throughout Afghanistan. The 197th Special Troops Company (Airborne) continued to support the Sustainment Battalion, 528th Brigade, with individual mobilizations.

97th Troop Command conducted a number of overseas training missions this past training year, the biggest being a one-month training mission in Cambodia, where the Headquarters Company and members of the 197th Special Troops Company supported a multinational exercise under the direction of the Royal Cambodian Army. Soldiers also participated in humanitarian projects. Members of the 197th's engineer section built a school for Cambodian children. The 197th Soldiers spent more than two months working on the school. Their dedicated work brought many smiles from the Cambodian children and gratitude from the local leaders. The Cambodia mission proved to be of great success for the 97th Troop Command.

At the invitation of U.S. Ambassador to Morocco Samuel Kaplan, 40 members of the 23rd Army Band traveled to and toured Rabat and Casablanca, Morocco in late June. The Band performed six different performances playing big band, jazz and country and rock favorites.

Ambassador Kaplan told the Bandmembers, "Your team brought the spirit and joy of America to this far-off place in Africa, [You] made me and everyone else smile; [you] made us all proud."

The Utah Air National Guard provided the travel to and from Rabat carrying the Band on a KC-135 Stratotanker. The Band again proved to be one of the busiest Army Bands in the nation, performing 65 different performances throughout the year.

The other units within Troop Command remained engaged throughout the year. The Medical Detachment performed more than 5,000 primary health assessments and continued to provide individual medical support to Soldiers throughout the Utah Army National Guard. Troop Command leadership is proud of the Soldiers within the command. 

The 23rd Army Band performs in Kenitra, Morocco, the historic landing site of U.S. Forces in WWII July 3. Colonel Edward Gundersen relinquishes command of 97th Troop Command to Col. Milada Copeland at a ceremony at Rice-Eccles stadium.





300th Military Intelligence Brigade

Headquartered in Draper, Utah, the 300th Military Intelligence Brigade (Linguist) provides command and control of six military intelligence (MI) battalions totaling more than 2,000 Soldiers in seven different states: Utah, Washington, California, Louisiana, Florida, Illinois and Massachusetts. The 300th MI Brigade provides linguist support across the spectrum of national defense agencies and military units. Their Military Intelligence specialties include Human Intelligence, Signals Intelligence and Counterintelligence. When called on by the governor, the 300th MI deploys in support of state contingencies.

During 2010, Soldiers in the 300th Military Intelligence Brigade maintained a high level of proficiency in more than 40 foreign languages, deploying to more than 20 countries to assist as interpreters, translators and intelligence professionals in a variety of Joint Chief of Staff military exercises. This continues the Brigade's proud and distinguished support to the Army's combined and joint commands, most of the Army's major commands and many of the nation's intelligence agencies operating throughout the world.

The Brigade has maintained a continuously deployed presence in Iraq, Afghanistan and Kosovo since 9/11. And this year was no exception, with more than 100 Soldiers from several of its battalions deployed to each of these three locations. Additionally, many Brigade Soldiers continued to provide full-time and part-time support to wartime requirements from home station, working as linguists or analysts on national-level, time-sensitive missions from various intelligence agencies and combatant commands.

In March 2010, the Brigade hosted its 20th annual Language Conference, focusing on the role of linguists in the Military Intelligence Rebalancing Structure. Distinguished guests and presenters included Mr. Richard Girven, a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Professional Staff and Mr. Daniel Scott, the Foreign Language Program Officer for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

The 300th Military Intelligence Brigade is commanded by Col. Val L. Peterson. Command Sgt. Maj. James C. Sproul, who recently passed away, served as the Brigade command sergeant major during 2010. 🇺🇸

300th Military Intelligence Brigade Soldiers stand in formation during Governor's Day at Rice-Eccles Stadium.






19th Special Forces Group (Airborne)

The 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne) continued its high operations tempo in 2010. The 19th Special Forces Group, commanded by Col. Michael Turello and his Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Morgan, have worked tirelessly to train, equip and man the elite unit. The majority of training and operations of the 19th has been directed toward the Global War on Terrorism. The 19th has personnel deployed to Africa, Iraq, Afghanistan, Korea, Morocco, Cambodia and the Republic of the Philippines, as well as numerous U.S. sites, where they are undergoing continued training to prepare our Soldiers for future deployments.

Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 19th Special Forces, had 19 personnel redeploy from counterterrorism operations in Africa, working in support of the Joint Special Operations Task Force, (JSOTF) located in Djibouti on the Horn of Africa. In March, a second contingent deployed to the Horn of Africa to form the corps of the Special Operations Command and Control Element, including the group commander. In addition, the Group deputy commander, Col. Randy Watt, is deployed to Iraq where he is serving as the J5.

Group Support Company, 19th Special Forces (GSC), is commanded by Maj. Ihor Balaban, who prepared his company to deploy in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. More than 160 Soldiers from GSC conducted premobilization training, were federalized, and deployed to Iraq under Operation Iraqi Freedom. These GSC Soldiers provide logistic support to the active Army's 5th Special Forces Group, who are currently conducting extended nation-building operations in theater. Also supporting the 5th SFG operations in Iraq is the Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Section of the GSC, who are providing current, up-to-date surveillance of the theater to Coalition forces. The Group Training Detachment

(GTD), the primary training element for the 19th, has been heavily committed over the past training year, conducting three Special Forces Sniper Courses (SFSC), two Special Forces Advanced Urban Combat (SFAUC) courses and four Special Forces Basic Combat Courses (SFBCC) for more than 300 Soldier assigned to all elements of the 19th. The SFSC, a 22-day course, trains Special Forces Soldiers in long-range target interdiction, with a standard course size of 24 students. SFAUC is geared toward urban combat for the SF Soldier, and lasts approximately three weeks. The SFBCC, geared toward the support personnel of the 19th, has a 16-day course of instruction.

The 1st Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, commanded by Lt. Col. James Slagowski, with the senior enlisted position being filled by Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Bollinger, has had a full training year. 1st Battalion has been preparing the Battalion for a pending deployment to Afghanistan scheduled for the next training year. The primary training event for the Battalion was an extended Joint Combined Training Exercise (JCET) with host-nation forces in Korea. The Battalion has also deployed teams to Morocco, in support of the State Partnership Program with Morocco, and sent elements to Cambodia for a JCET with Cambodian National Forces. The specialized detachments (Military Freefall, Maritime Operations, and Scuba Teams) have conducted sustainment-training exercises in Washington, Arizona, Dugway and Utah, to ensure they are fully mission capable in conducting operations within their specialties. The Battalion also conducted a Static-Line Jumpmaster Course in which more than 50 military parachutists became qualified to serve as jumpmasters for airborne operations. It should also be noted that 1st Battalion has provided Special Forces-qualified Soldiers to augment the ranks of other National Guard and active-duty Special Forces units who are deploying under Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. 

Soldiers with the 19th Special Forces Group Support Company participated in an eight-day Basic Combat Course a few weeks before their deployment to Iraq. Members of the 19th commemorate the ninth anniversary of 9/11 by raising and lowering American flags while on deployment to Camp Syverson, Iraq.





204th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade

The 204th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade (MEB) officially activated Oct. 1, 2010, and is located at Army Garrison Camp Williams' Readiness Center. On Aug. 7, 2010, Col. George Summit relinquished command to Col. Robert Dunton. The MEB, with more than 1,000 Soldiers, located in 10 communities across Utah, has proudly represented the Utah Army National Guard.

Members of the 204th MEB participated in Yama Sakura, Ulchi Freedom Guardian, at Fort Lewis, Wash., as well as Keris Strike in Malaysia. Keris Strike strengthens U.S.-Malaysian relations and builds on the operational peace support capacity of participants.

The "Signal Warriors" of the 217th Signal Company provide communications and information systems support for the 204th. The 217th sent teams to Delaware to be trained in the Joint Incident Site Communications Capability (JISCC) and Emergency Operations and Communications (EOCC). The JISCC and EOCC greatly enhance the Signal Warrior's ability to support state emergency-response missions. The Signal Warriors performed four field-training exercises and an Annual Training operation exercise during a three-day, 24-hour, statewide, joint-emergency response exercise conducted with state emergency-response agencies.

The 115th Engineer Facilities Detachment (EFD) is located at Camp Williams. The EFD consists of 15 Soldiers. Their main mission is to provide department of public works facilities management, design solutions for minor facility repair and environmental assessments and remediation expertise. The 115th EFD participated in numerous missions to include 21 days in Hohenfels, Germany, designing and surveying a helicopter pad and developing plans and drawings for a community amphitheater. The EFD also planned, designed and surveyed an IED lane at AGCW to improve the training for Utah National Guard Soldiers.

The 145th Engineer Battalion is headquartered in American Fork. The 1457th, with more than 600 Soldiers is located in seven communities across Utah. The 1457th staff participated in exercise Yama Sakura at Fort Lewis, Wash. Yama Sakura is an annual, bilateral command-post exercise that simulates Japanese-U.S. military operations required to defend Japan.

Early this year, the 1457th sent two representatives to Morocco to participate in a horizontal and vertical engineering conference as part of Utah's State Partnership Program. In June, at Army Garrison Camp Williams, the 1457th was honored to host the commander of the Moroccan 5th Engineer Battalion and the commandant of the Moroccan Engineer School.

The Battalion also had the distinct honor to award the Purple Heart medal to Sgt. Robert Kelly and witness one of its own Soldiers, Juan Mauricio Moreno-Ortez, take his last step to citizenship by reciting the oath of citizenship.

The 1457th Field Support Company dispensed more than 12,000 gallons of fuel supporting the Battalion and subordinate units in missions. The FSC performed superbly by providing exemplary food service to various units across the state.


This past year, the 118th Engineer Sapper Company executed a vigorous and robust training plan in preparation for deployment. They hosted the First Annual Sapper Stakes Competition. The competition fosters esprit de corps and tests the combat skills of each sapper. Thirty Soldiers from the 118th reenlisted in an open ceremony at the Readiness Center Jan. 23. The 118th is currently deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The 116th Engineer Horizontal Company completed many road projects and continues to work on many others for Camp Williams. These projects include culverts, multiple road projects and firebreaks.

The 624th Engineer Vertical Company completed multiple construction projects for Camp Williams to include building 23 personnel hutments requiring more than 2,300 sheets of wafer board, 3,450 feet of wiring, 391 trusses, 506 metal roofing sheets and 29,440 square feet of insulation.

This fiscal year the 489th Brigade Support Battalion reorganized in expectation of the transfer of B Company to the Louisiana Army National Guard and moved more than 100 Soldiers to other units within the 204th MEB and throughout the Utah Army National Guard. In the midst of this reorganization the Battalion planned, trained and executed aggressive training that involved the entire unit at Camp Dodge, Iowa, for two weeks in March and April 2010.

Alpha Company, 498th BSB, the distribution company of the 489th, provided management and distribution of all classes of supply throughout the Brigade. During the training year, the company conducted several high-intensity training events supporting the unit's primary mission-essential tasks. During Annual Training at Camp Dodge and a subsequent STX at Camp Williams, the unit conducted aerial-delivery training with the 2-211th Aviation Battalion. Additionally, the company conducted multiple field-training exercises at Yuba Lake and Camp Williams, where they executed mission training in water purification, fuel distribution and supply transportation throughout Utah. The training gave Soldiers the opportunity to demonstrate their proficiency in their military occupational specialties, as well as their ability to hone their tactical skills while supporting real-world missions.

All units in the 204th MEB performed aggressive, realistic, battle-driven training this past year. The 204th, as always, is prepared to conduct its peacetime, as well as its war time mission. 

Members of the 118th Sappers Company prepare to board the plane starting their 12-month deployment to Afghanistan.



The 2-285th Air Assault Detachment returned from deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in September.

These 40 plus Soldiers enjoyed tremendous success in Iraq by flying nearly 1,000 combat missions including Aviation quick-reaction force operations, participating as command-and-control platforms in support of the Iraqi elections and transporting every distinguished visitor in their sector of responsibility. Additionally, these exceptional crewmembers and support personnel participated in combined Air Assault operations with their Iraqi counterparts. During the last week of September 2010, the 2-285th redeployed through Fort Sill, Okla., before returning to a heroes welcome at the Utah Air National Guard Base.


Detachment 50, OSA, deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. This small unit supported Approach Surveillance Radar missions by flying long-combat missions all over Afghanistan. Detachment 50 was the first unit to conduct Task Force ODIN missions in Afghanistan. Task Force ODIN missions were being used regularly and having great success in Iraq previous to DET 50 arrived in Afghanistan with King Air 300 aircraft to establish the program there. The unit redeployed and returned home on March 12.

On April 9, Lt. Col. James Bledsoe relinquished command of 1st Battalion, 211th Aviation, to Maj. Greg Hartvigsen. At the same time, 1st Battalion was continuing to receive the new AH-64D Apache Longbow aircraft. The unit spent many man-hours reassembling the aircraft at port in Beaumont, Texas, conducting maintenance test flights and then ferrying the aircraft back to Utah. Since that time, the unit has been focused on training aviators in the new aircraft and working to continue to work on fixing aircraft deficiencies within the Apache Longbow fleet. The Battalion has utilized the use of the Aviation Combined-Arms Tactical Trainer, as well as the Longbow Crew Trainer, both of which are aircraft simulators for pilots to conduct tactical

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missions. The 1st Battalion is feverishly training and preparing for unit validation in the new Longbow aircraft with 21st Cavalry at Fort Hood, Texas. After the unit validation is complete, 1st Battalion will leave on an extended combat deployment.

2010 was also a challenging year for 2nd Battalion, 211th Aviation General Support Aviation Battalion (GSAB). This past year, the War Horse Battalion received notice that Alpha Company, 2-211th, will deploy in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Many of the Soldiers assigned to this unit had just returned from a previous deployment in February 2009 and were being asked to sacrifice family and job for a back-to-back deployment. As a credit to the caliber of Soldiers in the 2nd Battalion, finding qualified and highly competent volunteers was not a difficult task. The primary training objective of the 2-211th GSAB prior to the notification for deployment was to draw upon their tactical experience to train for domestic missions. The unit conducted Aviation operations geared around an earthquake along the Wasatch Front. The unit conducted realistic response missions with great results. Aerial firefighting/water-bucket operations training was also aggressively conducted during the year, and those skills were put to the test in September as 2nd Battalion personnel and aircraft were deployed under state active-duty orders to fight the fire on Camp Williams which threatened many Herriman homes.

During 2010, the Headquarters Detachment, 97th Aviation Troop Command, provided support to the subordinate units through organizational inspections, as well as logistical, personnel and operational support. At the same time, the unit participated in the annual joint, bilateral training exercise event supporting the Yama Sakura 57 exercise at Camp Chitose, Japan. The unit supported the bilateral exercise by sending approximately 75 personnel to both Hawaii and Japan to plan and execute aviation missions for the exercise. The 97th Aviation Troop Command is currently in the planning process for its next joint bilateral exercise which will be held in Germany beginning the first part of the next fiscal year. 



Four Utah National Guard Blackhawks prepare to collect water to be used in the firefighting efforts at Herriman, Utah. Right: A Blackhawk crew fills a water bucket at Camp Williams, Utah.



Supporting Task Force ODIN, Chief Warrant 5 Don Jacobson and the C-12 aircraft during their yearlong deployment to Kandahar, Afghanistan.



640th Regional Training Institute

The 640th Regiment RTI (Regional Training Institute) is commanded by Col. Ed Gundersen and Command Sgt. Maj. Daryl Hall. The Regiment consists of four training battalions, and 115 Soldiers. Also, it employs more than 275 full-time Soldiers, contractors and civil-service technicians.

The 640th RTI works in conjunction with National Guard Bureau and Training and Doctrine Command to provide schooling and training for Army National Guard, Army Reservists and active-duty Soldiers in combat arms, military occupational specialization, leadership, noncommissioned officer education and general studies. The RTI monitors and regulates academic instruction, student dining and housing and Regiment facilities. The RTI headquarters oversees the Regiment's four battalions.

First Battalion, 640th Regiment (NCOA), conducts training for senior noncommissioned officers (NCO) and junior-enlisted Soldiers in all Army service branches. Noncommissioned Officer Education System (NCOES) courses include Warrior Leader Course, Advanced Leader Course, Senior Leader Course, and First Sergeant Course. The Battalion is one of six NCO academies within the Army National Guard.

Second Battalion, 640th Regiment (Modular) trains 25U Signal Support System Specialists and 25B Information Systems Specialists. In addition, it trains all state-directed courses including Bus Driver Training Course, Ground Combat Course, Officer Candidate School Phase Zero, Battle Staff NCO Course and any other training directed by the adjutant general.

Third Battalion, 640th Regiment Field Artillery, trains the majority of all Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) training and NCO technical tracks in field artillery. Courses include

13B Cannon Crewmember, 13D Advanced Field Artillery Tactical Data Specialist, 13F Field Support Specialist and 13S Field Artillery Surveyor.

Fourth Battalion, 640th Regiment, is currently one of only two National Guard schools accredited to conduct Military Intelligence reclassification training. Courses taught include 35M Human Intelligence Collector, 35F Intelligence Analysts, and 35L Counterintelligence Agent.

Headquarters 640th RTI is the Military Intelligence (MI) subject-matter expert cell for National Guard Bureau and provides liaison support to Fort Huachuca, Ariz., Defense Language Institute and National Guard Bureau. The Regiment oversees all National Guard institutional training for MI, training allocations for course managers, reviews Course Management Plans and Programs of Instruction, and is the designated representative for all National Guard Bureau MI training.

In FY10, the RTI graduated almost 9,000 Soldiers in NCOES, Field Artillery, Signal Corps, Military Intelligence, and modular courses, which contributed to the readiness of the Army.

The 640th Regiment RTI is located at Camp Williams, Utah, in the new Total Army School System complex. The \$19 million complex is approximately 54,000 square feet and trains Soldiers in state-of-the-art classrooms with modern technology and equipment, which will greatly enhance students' NCOES education.

Fourth Battalion unveiled its new and accredited Secure Training Facility – Intelligence (STF-I) building, which trains reclassification students in MI MOS's. The STF-I will allow connectivity with Fort Huachuca and other training sites to conduct real-time culmination exercises. 🇺🇸

Warrior Leader Course students conducting Land Navigation at Camp Williams, Utah.



Army Garrison Camp Williams

Camp W. G. Williams is “the Premier Training Center of Choice.” Our mission is to create a quality training environment for military units, individual Servicemembers and other Department of Defense, federal, state, law enforcement and civilian organizations by providing quality facilities, excellent logistical support and professional personnel assistance to set the stage for top-quality training.

Camp Williams’ unique location provides access to mountain, desert, water and river training areas. The staff is continually seeking ways to improve and enhance training facilities, ranges and courses in order to make a Soldier’s stay more productive and enjoyable. We are proud of the contribution we make to the Soldiers of the Utah National Guard and to the citizens of Utah.

Range Control oversees 28,000 acres of combat-training areas resembling the same types of environments encountered by those currently serving in Operations New Dawn and Enduring Freedom. Primary training facilities include small-arms and crew-served weapons ranges, artillery firing points, demolition and grenade ranges. Urban training environments include the Military Operations in Urban Terrain shoothouse, dismounted/mounted maneuver areas, and a forward-operating base.


Camp Williams facilities directly supported more than 75 youth groups. Popular interests included the rappel tower and Leadership-Reaction Course. The more notable youth activities are Freedom Academy and Civil Air Patrol.

Other training highlights include support to the 2-4 Infantry, 10th Mountain Division, a large active-Army unit that chose Camp Williams for their premobilization training.

Logistics Division Ammunition Supply Point (ASP) continues to provide support for all units of the Utah National Guard, numerous active component Army units, the Army and Marine Corps Reserves and ROTC classes from around Utah. Deseret Chemical Depot uses the ASP to draw small-arms ammunition for training and security missions.

Currently, ammunition categories II through category IV can be drawn from the ASP. When completed at the end of 2010, a new ASP will be able to accommodate all categories of ammunition for units to draw according to their authorizations. Artillery units will be able to draw cannon shells from Camp Williams instead of traveling to Tooele Army Depot. Aviation units will be able to draw rockets from the new ASP as well. The new Ammunition Supply Point will be a great asset to all units training at Camp.

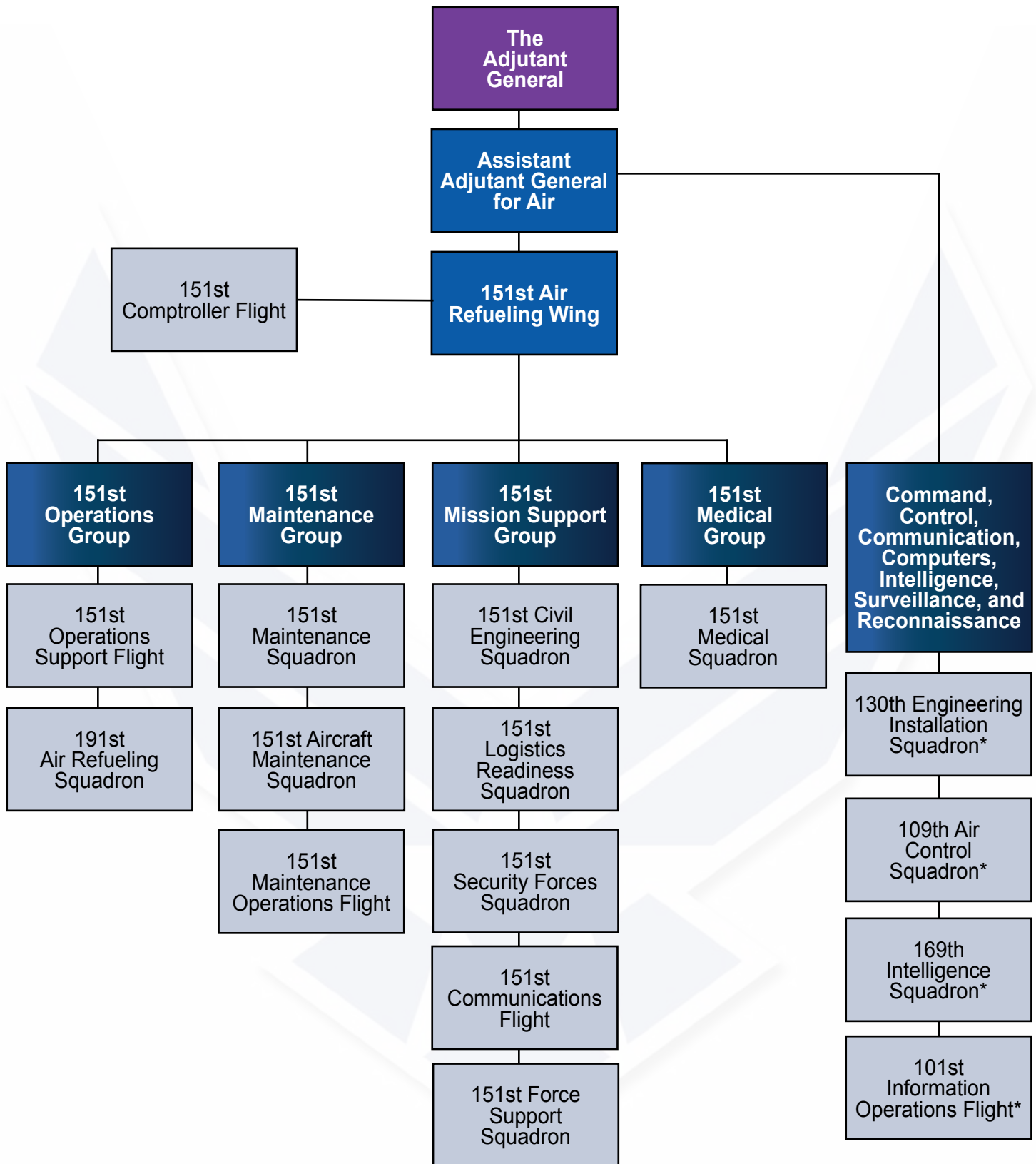
The Troop Issue Subsistence Activity (TISA) provides Class I supply to units in the state and to outside agencies as needed. The TISA typically provides support for all branches of the military that require feeding. With proper coordination, ingredients for meals can be ordered and delivered to the warehouse to be stored in refrigeration units until pickup and preparation by unit cooks. The Logistics Section works with Range Control and Facilities Management to maintain sleeping areas for units needing open-bay quarters. The Logistics Section also stocks and supplies dining facilities and runs and maintains the Qualified Recycling Program (QRP). Spent brass from the firing ranges is gathered, deformed, and sold to recycling centers. Future plans are to build a new QRP building to manage current operations and expand into larger paper and cardboard operations.

Facilities Engineer Division is responsible for planning and coordinating installation construction and reconstruction projects, providing facility maintenance, managing federal and state lands, and preserving historic holdings. Major projects included the remodeling of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service Post Exchange facility, nearly doubling its size, and the overhaul of the electrical system, from the traditional poles to underground electrical. 

Forward Operating Base at Camp Williams is a premier training site for Servicemembers. A HUMVEE convoy down range at Camp Williams travels to the Forward Operating Base.



Utah Air National Guard Organizational Chart



*Administrative Control with 151st ARW

Founded on Nov. 18, 1946, the Utah Air National Guard (UTANG) is located on more than 82 acres of the northeast corner of the Salt Lake International Airport. There are more than 1,400 trained and dedicated men and women serving in the UTANG to defend the United States of America. Colonel Wayne E. Lee assumed command of the UTANG in July from retiring Brig. Gen. David M. Hooper. UTANG assignments include real-world military operations and daily activities necessary to support state and federal missions and training requirements around the world.

The UTANG's largest component is the 151st Air Refueling Wing (ARW), commanded by Col. Samuel H. Ramsay, III. Unit commanders, along with their members are committed to building excellent organizations within the Wing. Associate units, those assigned to the UTANG but not part of the 151st ARW, provide other critical mission services. The tenant units located at the Utah Air National Guard Base are the 130th Engineering Installation Squadron, commanded by Lt. Col. Karen L. Morris; the 169th Intelligence Squadron, commanded by Lt. Col. Mitchell Hall; the 109th Air Control Squadron, commanded by Maj. Randy L. Stevens; and the 101st Information Operations Flight commanded by Lt. Col. Kevin M. Nuccitelli.

The UTANG began as a fighter/bomber unit, and its mission has changed three times since 1946. The type of aircraft flown by the Wing has changed seven times. The current aircraft are KC-135R aerial refuelers, which were assigned to Utah in 1978 when the 151st ARW became part of the Strategic Air Command. The Wing transferred to the Air Mobility Command in June 1992. Since then, the aircraft's cargo and personnel transportations capabilities have been more frequently utilized.

Historical examples of federal services are numerous. Many UTANG members were called to serve 21 months during the Korean Conflict. Flying F-86 fighter aircraft, 10




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pilots flew more than 100 missions each. One UTANG pilot, Capt. Cliff Jolley, shot down seven Soviet-made MIG-15 aircraft and became the first Air Guard "Ace" of the Korean Conflict. Two Utah pilots were killed during this conflict.

During the Middle East crisis in August 1990, UTANG members were some of the first to volunteer in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm. UTANG's support of this operation continued well into 1991. Since that time members have supported national drug-interdiction activities and have provided air refueling for tactical and transportation aircraft supporting military activities involving Bosnia, Kosovo and Southwest Asia. Additionally, members of the UTANG supported the Salt Lake 2002 Winter Olympics in various capacities.

The UTANG continued distinctive federal service during 2010 with missions around the globe in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and Noble Eagle. The UTANG also supported numerous NATO operations, Air Expeditionary Forces (AEF) rotations, as well as missions supporting 1st Air Force, Southern Command and Africa Command. Critical personnel resources needed to accomplish these and other UTANG missions were supported through recruiting, retention, workforce-diversity and family-readiness programs directed by headquarters leaders.

Local communities also saw continuing benefits from the UTANG. Activities included Sub-for-Santa, blood drives, Freedom Academy, Adopt-a-School program, Scouting for Food and other service projects throughout the year. The UTANG continues to maintain its high state of readiness should the State of Utah need support during a natural disaster, civil disturbance or major event. 

Training to ensure mission readiness, five Utah Air National Guard KC-135 tankers participate in Emergency War Order training generation May 2010.




In 2010, the 151st Air Refueling Wing continued to support the worldwide operations of the Wing and tenant units, maintaining a challenging and rewarding operational tempo that continues to grow and adapt to meet the ever-increasing demand. The basewide team spirit and cooperation has proven to be a force-multiplier for the Utah Air National Guard.

The Wing began the year with a ceremony that looked back and honored the career accomplishments and contributions of Senator Jake Garn, a retired brigadier general in the Utah Air National Guard. At the dedication of a display in his honor, he commented that “you shouldn’t be honored for doing something you enjoy doing so much. I have enjoyed my military flying career. My 25 years as a military pilot is my greatest accomplishment in life.”

Following in the footsteps of those who have gone before, the Wing supported a wide variety of missions throughout the year. In February, the Wing sent a KC-135 and crew to Marrakech, Morocco, in concert with Utah National Guard’s State Partnership Program with Morocco. Participating in AeroExpo Marrakech 2010 by escorting and refueling F-16s from the South Carolina Air National Guard, the Wing demonstrated our support for U.S. Africa Command’s strategic engagements in the area.

On several occasions this year, the Wing supported Aeromedical Evacuation missions to Bagram, Afghanistan. Staging out of Ramstein Air Base in Germany, aircrews were joined by critical-care teams with specialized equipment and then flew into Bagram to pick up wounded Coalition military members and civilian contractors for immediate transfer to Landstuhl Hospital at Ramstein. After multiple sorties over each two-week deployment, one crewmember described the missions as the “most rewarding and demanding missions I’ve ever done.”

Throughout the year, the entire Wing prepared for multiple deployments to our Air Expeditionary Force commitments in the Central Command and Pacific Command theaters. While deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, maintenance and aircrews generated and flew a record number of refueling missions, often in direct support of troops in contact on the ground. Our flying time for the month of September alone was more than one-third of our total annual flight hours. This outstanding performance was made possible by the superior performance of our new 151st Force Support Squadron, the 151st Logistics Readiness Squadron and our new 151st Comptroller Flight.

Finally, 2010 saw a change of command at the Wing with Col. Kelvin G. Findlay moving up to the position of Chief of Staff at State Headquarters and Col. Samuel H. Ramsay, III, taking the helm as Wing commander with Col. Kenneth L. Gammon moving to the vice commander position. As we look forward to 2011, the Wing will continue to support worldwide and domestic missions while preparing for an aggressive inspection schedule by the Air Mobility Command’s Inspector General in 2011 and 2012. 

151st Air Refueling Wing



1st Lt. Jason Holbrook, with the 151st Operations Group trains during ASTO. A Utah Air National Guard KC-135 tanker awaits participation in a five-plane launch as part of Emergency War Order training generation in May 2010. An Airman with the 151st Security Forces Squadron sights-in at Camp Williams range. The 151st Security Forces conduct weapons training at Camp Williams, Utah.



Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers

Our Heroes



